

## SAINT PATRICK MANLEY

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## SAINT MARY ELMWOOD

### MASS & DEVOTION SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 19TH THROUGH 25TH 2018

**MON. 19** 8:00AM (Manley) Doug Murphy requested by Dorothy Murphy  
**TUE. 20** 8:00AM (Manley) +Jim Murphy requested by Dorothy Murphy  
**WED. 21** 8:00AM (Manley) Special Intention of John & Pat Miller  
7:00PM (Elmwood) +Corrine Unruh req. by Paul & JoAnn Dwork  
**THU. 22** 8:00AM (Manley) +Ed Pepperl requested by Scott & Cindy Spilinek  
**FRI. 23** 10:00AM (Louisville Care Center) +Eugene Sailors req. by Mary Reinke  
6:00PM (Manley) **EXPOSITION & HOLY HOUR**  
7:00PM (Manley) +Andrea McDanel  
**SAT. 24** 8:00AM (Manley) Special Intention of Betty Dufek  
**SAT. 24** 5:00PM (Manley) +Reginald Colbert requested by Family & Friends  
**SUN. 25** 9:00AM (Elmwood) +Jake Ita requested by Janet Zoz  
11:00AM (Manley) **FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISHES.**

In the Divine Office of Reading there are some excerpts from homilies attributed an unknown author from the second century. They offer a lot to think about and reflect on in our own spiritual life. And even though life itself was very different in the second century compared to today, these reflections reveal that our struggles in living our Faith, living a virtuous life, are not all that different from the lives of those early Christians.

### Let us return to God who has called us.

"With regard to self-control, I believe I have given you good advice. No one who follows it will have reason for regret but will save his own soul and mine as well, since I have been his counselor. Indeed there is no small reward for converting an erring soul and saving it from perishing. Moreover, whether it is our duty to speak or to listen, we have it in our power to make some recompense to the God who created us, by speaking or listening with faith and love.

We must remain firm in our faith, therefore, and live upright and holy lives, for we shall then feel at ease and confident when we present our petitions to God, who says: 'Before they call, I will answer; while they are yet speaking, I will hearken to them.' (Isaiah 65:24) In these words the Lord makes a wonderful promise, and shows us that He is more ready to give than we are to ask. We all have a share in His extraordinary goodness, so the great blessings we receive should never make us envy one another. In fact, the degree of pleasure these words bring to those who live by them is equaled only by the condemnation they will bring on those who disregard them.

So you see, my brothers [and sisters], that we have been given every inducement to amend our lives. We have been called by God, and now it is up to us to return to Him while we still have time and who is ready to receive us. For if we renounce sinful pleasures and practice self-control by refusing to yield to our evil desires, we shall share in the mercy of Jesus.

You must know, however, that the day of judgment, like a flaming furnace, is already approaching. All that each has done, whether openly or in secret, will then be brought to light. Therefore, a very good way of atoning for our sins is by being generous to the poor. Fasting is better than prayer, but almsgiving surpasses both, for 'love covers a multitude of sins.' (1 Peter 4:8) Nevertheless, prayer delivers the soul from death if it proceeds from a good conscience. Happy the man who is found rich in these virtues, buy relieving the poor, he himself will be relieved of his sins.

To make sure that none of us is lost, we must repent from the bottom of our hearts. Since we have been commanded to go out and rescue idolaters and to instruct them, is it not even more important to save souls who already know God? If we are all to be saved, we must help one another and support the weak in their struggle to live a good life. When one of us does wrong, it is for the others to warn him and persuade him of his error."

**TURKEY DINNER AT SAINT LEO'S CHURCH IN PALMYRA: Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> from 11am-1pm. \$10 for adults, children twelve and under \$5 or \$30 for family.**

**"LIGHT OF HOPE" SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE: Fusselman-Allen-Harvey Funeral Home invites you and your family to a candle light service of comfort and hope for those who have lost a loved one. Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2:00PM, at First Lutheran Church 1434 N. 30<sup>th</sup> Road, Avoca.**

**THE CATHOLIC COFFEE HOUSE is an adult faith formation series held at St. Gianna Java and Gelato, 2241 O Street, Lincoln, from 7:00pm. to 8:30. The theme for this year is "Navigating the Church Now." **The first presentation on November 18<sup>th</sup>, is entitled "Jesus the One Priest, Prophet and King" by Father Andrew Heaslip.** Each session includes prayer, a presentation, and Q&A. There is no fee or registration. Please call 402-473-0619 for questions.**

**GOOD COUNSEL RETREAT HOUSE near the I-80 Waverly exit, offers weekend retreats for men and women who seek to find a place of renewal and conversion, a place of sanctuary and prayer. Upcoming retreats: **November 30<sup>th</sup> - Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Deacon James Keating, Marriage: How God Wants to Secure your Love. (For couples, engaged or married.) **December 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>**, Bishop Conley and Father Coulter, Advent retreat on "The Mysteries of Christmas" Register at [www.goodcounselretreat.com](http://www.goodcounselretreat.com) or call 402-786-2705.**

**SAINT MARY'S CHRISTMAS POT-LUCK: Will be on December 2<sup>nd</sup> following the 11AM Mass. Parishioners are asked to bring a main dish and either a salad or desert.**

**SAINT PATRICK'S ALTAR SOCIETY APPRECIATION DINNER & PARTY: Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>. Sign up before November 19<sup>th</sup> on bulletin boards at the east and north-west entrances of the Church. Contact Cindy Spilinek if you have questions.**

**SAINT PATRICK CCD CHRISTMAS PROGRAM: We are looking for parent volunteers to help organize our Christmas program. Please contact Susan Smith at 402-672-4100 or Valerie Flanagan at 402-658-8938 if you would be able to help with this. **Thank you for your help!****

**FOOD DRIVE FOR THOSE IN NEED: Saint Mary's Parish is having a food drive for the Elmwood Pantry and Catholic Social Services Pantry. If you would like to help with this please bring canned goods and dry goods to Saint Mary's Church.**

<b>NOVEMBER 11<sup>th</sup> OFFERING:</b>	<b>ENVELOPES</b>	<b>PLATE</b>	<b>MISSON</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>ENERGY</b>	<b>BUILD &amp; MAIN</b>
<b>SAINT PATRICK'S:</b>	\$637.00	\$315.00	--	\$44.00	\$10.00	
<b>SAINT MARY'S:</b>	\$1,058.00	\$34.00	\$100.00	\$40.00	\$25.00	